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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 18 August 2005.
- 2a) ☒ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☐ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-20 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-20 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
- Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
- Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

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DETAILED ACTION

1. Claims **1-20** are presented for examination.
2. Claims 1, 8, and 15 are currently amended.

Response to Amendment

3. Applicant's request for reconsideration of the finality of the rejection of the last Office action is persuasive and, therefore, the finality of that action is withdrawn.

Response to Arguments

4. Applicant's arguments with respect to claims 1-20 have been considered but are moot in view of the new ground(s) of rejection.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

5. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. § 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless --

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

OR

e) the invention was described in a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent, or on an international application by another who has fulfilled the requirements of paragraphs (1), (2), and (4) of section 371(c) of this title before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent.

The changes made to 35 U.S.C. 102(e) by the American Inventors

Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA) and the Intellectual Property and High Technology

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Technical Amendments Act of 2002 do not apply when the reference is a U.S. patent resulting directly or indirectly from an international application filed before November 29, 2000. Therefore, the prior art date of the reference is determined under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) prior to the amendment by the AIPA (pre-AIPA 35 U.S.C. 102(e)).

6. Claims 1-20 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by **Win et al.** (hereinafter Win) U.S. Patent No. **6,453,353**.

7. As to claim 1, Win teaches the invention as claimed, including a method for integrating security and user account data in a reporting system with at least one remote repository comprising the steps of:

enabling a user to submit user credential input to a reporting system (figure 1, col. 5, lines 12-20, col. 6, lines 20-40 –*receiving user registers/log-in to the system/central repository*);

identifying an authentication process (figure 1, col. 6, lines 41-col. 7, line 6);

forwarding the user credential input to a server (figures 1, 3, 5, col. 8, line 5-col. 10, line 33 –*forwarding to access server 106 for authentication*); and

enabling the server to apply the authentication process to authenticate the user against a remote repository for verifying the user credential input (figures 1, 3, 5, col. 6, lines 41-col. 7, line 67 –*the access server 106 authenticates/verifies user name/password with Registry sever 108*) and to determine user access

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control data for identifying at least one user privilege for performing one or more actions and at least one user permission associated with one or more objects (abstract, col. 5, line 66-col. 6, line 17, col. 8, lines 5-23, col. 11, lines 42-64 – *providing user a personalized menu that displays only resources that user has a right to access according to user's profile, including user's role and privileges*).

8. As to claim 2, Win teaches the invention as claimed, further comprising a step of importing user information from the remote repository (figure 1, col. 5, lines 12-20, col. 6, lines 20-26, col. 7, lines 45-57).

9. As to claim 3, Win teaches the invention as claimed, wherein the authentication process comprises Lightweight Directory Access Protocol (col. 12, lines 10-53).

10. As to claim 4, Win teaches the invention as claimed, wherein the authentication process comprises an operating system authentication (figures 1, 3, 5, col. 6, lines 41-col. 7, line 67).

11. As to claim 5, Win teaches the invention as claimed, further comprising a step of enabling the server to synchronize user account data with the user information from the remote repository (col. 7, lines 34-67, col. 19, line 50-col. 20, line 53).

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12. As to claim 6, Win teaches wherein the user is associated with a group of users wherein group information from the remote repository is imported (figure 1, col. 5, lines 12-20, col. 6, lines 20-26, col. 7, lines 45-57).

13. As to claim 7, Win teaches the invention as claimed, wherein the user information comprises at least one or user permissions, privileges and access rights associated with the user (abstract, col. 5, line 66-col. 6, line 17, col. 8, lines 5-23, col. 11, lines 42-64).

14. As to claim 8, Win teaches the invention as claimed, including a system for integrating security and user account data in a reporting system with at least one remote repository, comprising:

an input for enabling a user to submit user credential input to a reporting system (figure 1, col. 5, lines 12-20, col. 6, lines 20-40 –*receiving user registers/log-in to the system/central repository*);

an identification module for identifying an authentication process (figure 1, col. 6, lines 41-col. 7, line 6);

a forwarding module for forwarding the user credential input to a server (figures 1, 3, 5, col. 8, line 5-col. 10, line 33 –*forwarding to access server 106 for authentication*); and

a server for applying the authentication process to authenticate the user against a remote repository for verifying the user credential input (figures 1, 3, 5, col. 6, lines 41-col. 7, line 67 –*the access server 106 authenticates/verifies user*

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name/password with Registry sever 108) and to determine user access control data for identifying at least one user privilege for performing one or more actions and at least one user permission associated with one or more objects (abstract, col. 5, line 66-col. 6, line 17, col. 8, lines 5-23, col. 11, lines 42-64 –providing user a personalized menu that displays only resources that user has a right to access according to user's profile, including user's role and privileges).

15. As to claim 9, Win teaches the invention as claimed, further comprising an import module for importing user information from the remote repository (figure 1, col. 5, lines 12-20, col. 6, lines 20-26, col. 7, lines 45-57).

16. As to claim 10, Win teaches the invention as claimed, wherein the authentication process comprises Lightweight Directory Access Protocol (col. 12, lines 10-53).

17. As to claim 11, Win teaches the invention as claimed, wherein the authentication process comprises an operating system authentication (figures 1, 3, 5, col. 6, lines 41-col. 7, line 67).

18. As to claim 12, Win teaches the invention as claimed, wherein the server synchronizes user account data with the user information from the remote repository (col. 7, lines 34-67, col. 19, line 50-col. 20, line 53).

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19. As to claim 13, Win teaches wherein the user is associated with a group of users wherein group information from the remote repository is imported (figure 1, col. 5, lines 12-20, col. 6, lines 20-26, col. 7, lines 45-57).

20. As to claim 14, Win teaches the invention as claimed, wherein the user information comprises at least one or user permissions, privileges and access rights associated with the user (abstract, col. 5, line 66-col. 6, line 17, col. 8, lines 5-23, col. 11, lines 42-64).

21. As to claim 15, Win teaches the invention as claimed, including a processor-readable medium comprising code for execution by a processor to integrate security and user account data in a reporting system with at least one remote repository, the medium comprising:

code for causing a processor to enable a user to submit user credential input to a reporting system (figure 1, col. 5, lines 12-20, col. 6, lines 20-40 – *receiving user registers/log-in to the system/central repository*);

code for causing a processor to identify an authentication process (figure 1, col. 6, lines 41-col. 7, line 6);

code for causing a processor to forward the user credential input to a server (figures 1, 3, 5, col. 8, line 5-col. 10, line 33 –*forwarding to access server 106 for authentication*); and

code for causing a processor to enable the server to apply the authentication process to authenticate the user against a remote repository for

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verifying the user credential input (figures 1, 3, 5, col. 6, lines 41-col. 7, line 67 – *the access server 106 authenticates/verifies user name/password with Registry sever 108*) and to determine user access control data for identifying at least one user privilege for performing one or more actions and at least one user permission associated with one or more objects (abstract, col. 5, line 66-col. 6, line 17, col. 8, lines 5-23, col. 11, lines 42-64 –*providing user a personalized menu that displays only resources that user has a right to access according to user's profile, including user's role and privileges*).

22. As to claim 16, Win teaches the invention as claimed, further comprising code for causing a processor to import user information from the remote repository (figure 1, col. 5, lines 12-20, col. 6, lines 20-26, col. 7; lines 45-57).

23. As to claim 17, Win teaches the invention as claimed, wherein the authentication process comprises at least one of Lightweight Directory Access Protocol and operating system authentication (col. 12, lines 10-53).

24. As to claim 18, Win teaches the invention as claimed, further comprising code for causing a processor to enable the server to synchronize user account data with the user information from the remote repository (col. 7, lines 34-67, col. 19, line 50-col. 20, line 53).

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25. As to claim 19, Win teaches wherein the user is associated with a group of users wherein group information from the remote repository is imported (figure 1, col. 5, lines 12-20, col. 6, lines 20-26, col. 7, lines 45-57).

26. As to claim 20, Win teaches the invention as claimed, wherein the user information comprises at least one or user permissions, privileges and access rights associated with the user (abstract, col. 5, line 66-col. 6, line 17, col. 8, lines 5-23, col. 11, lines 42-64).

Conclusion

27. Applicant's amendment necessitated the new ground(s) of rejection presented in this Office action. Accordingly, **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL**. See MPEP § 706.07(a). Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire **THREE MONTHS** from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within **TWO MONTHS** of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the **THREE-MONTH** shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will

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the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the date of this final action.

28. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Thu Ha Nguyen, whose telephone number is (703) 305-7447. The examiner can normally be reached Monday through Friday from 8:00 AM to 0:00 PM.

29. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Saleh Najjar, can be reached at (571) 272-4006.

Any inquiry of a general nature of relating to the status of this application should be directed to the Group receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 305-9600.

The fax phone numbers for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned are 703-872-9306 for regular communications.

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